

Iron County Register

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According to official statistics 232,102 Italians emigrated to transatlantic countries in 1904. Of these 150,115 came to the United States.

In the matter of automobile exports to Germany this country stands second to France, leading Great Britain by a comfortable margin.

Receipts of Paris theaters and music halls, taxed by the municipality for the poor, last year amounted to \$3,005,100. The tax is 10 per cent.

The London Zoo is the first European institution to possess a living specimen of the huge South American spider, which catches animals as big as humming birds.

Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes of the supreme court, in a recent opinion on a stock gambling case, said that dealing in futures was the "self-adjustment of society to the probable."

The new turbine steamer Virginian has the distinction of having made the transatlantic trip from land to land in 100 hours, breaking the Canadian record by nearly 20 hours.

A law has been passed by the Belgian chamber and senate to prohibit the manufacture and sale of absinthe within the kingdom. The necessity for such a regulation was no doubt made evident by the growing incidence in the consumption of this drink.

The government of the Netherlands has instituted a competition with the object of discovering a process of cutting diamonds which will dispense with the use of an alloy dangerous to health. For a complete solution of this problem a prize of \$2,275 is offered.

The Austrian government has just made a contract with the Danubius Marine and Machine works for the construction of six torpedo destroyers and ten sea-going torpedo boats to cost \$3,225,000. It is stipulated that the Danubius Co. will build a modern shipyard at Fiume, Hungary.

Cocoanuts, being lighter than water are transported along waterways in the same manner that timber is floated. Thousands of them are thrown to gether and the whole mass surrounded by long strands of bark fiber. One native can tow a number of such rafts and the fiber is tough enough to stand considerable rough treatment.

In a train wreck on the Missouri Pacific railway every car except one went into the ditch at the side of the track, but not a person on the train was seriously injured. The train was running at 25 miles an hour, yet not a car was damaged by the sudden stopping. The cars were new and heavy and of firm steel framework.

Sea water as a medicinal beverage to reduce obesity, is becoming a fad among many women spending the summer in resorts along the New Jersey coast. The business of supplying the water has grown into quite an enterprise by fishermen. Three or four glasses a day are said to have a beneficial effect upon the digestion as well as a tendency to purify the blood and reduce the flesh.

Geological conditions remarkably like those observed at the Kimberly mines in South Africa have recently been discovered in Kentucky. The Piedmont Plateau, at the southeastern base of the Appalachians, has already produced, in the region between Southern Virginia and Georgia, some 10 or 12 diamonds, which have varied in weight from those of two or three carats to the "Dewey" diamond, which when found weighed over 23 carats.

It is gratifying to note that the commission entrusted with the distribution of the awards provided by the Carnegie hero fund have not confined their benefactions to the giving of medals, but have granted substantial sums of money to a number of worthy and deserving persons—the widows. In most instances, of men who have lost their lives in heroic service to humanity. The distribution of bronze and silver medals does not serve the purposes nor further the objects for which this hero fund was primarily created.

What is supposed to be the largest pair of shoes ever made in this country was turned out recently in a Nashua shoe factory. The size of these shoes may well be imagined when it is known that the weight is 18 pounds for the pair. Each shoe is 23 inches long and 7 1/2 inches wide in the widest place. Every detail is as carefully attended to as in an ordinary first-class shoe, but because of the enormous size it required several weeks to turn them out. They were made for a negro who lives near Atlanta.

There are many ways of getting a living in New York City, but the most amazing of them all was partly unfolded in the Tomba court recently when it was alleged there was a regular established business for "losing babies" there, the headquarters of the gang being somewhere on Mott street. For a long time the managers of children's societies have been convinced that the "losing" of babies has been conducted systematically. For many months they have found too much system in the abandonment of babies not to believe there was a regular trade in it.

There is comforting assurance of the magnitude of the 1905 crop of wheat coming from the statistics of the agricultural department, additional evidence of the fact that the farmer remains the real king and that this is a land of plenty and of promise, with the promise fulfilled. The crop of 1905, with the exception of the crop of 1901, will be the largest ever harvested in the United States, the estimate being a total of spring and winter wheat of 729,000,000 bushels, the crop of 1901 having been 748,000,000 bushels.

THE CZAR NEEDS A LARGE SUPPLY.



CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS

Formal Opening of Twenty-Second International Convention.

President Clark Detained by Illness—Letter of Regret From President Roosevelt Read.

Baltimore, Md., July 6.—The formal opening of the twenty-second international Christian Endeavor convention took place Wednesday in Armory hall, with about 3,000 delegates present, and nearly all the 16,000 seats in the vast auditorium occupied.

In the absence of President Clark, who is detained at home by illness, Rev. Howard B. Grosse, of New York, president, Treasurer Shaw of the United States, read a letter from President Roosevelt, in which the latter expressed regret at not being able to address the convention, but sent greetings, closing with the following words:

"To make better citizens, to lift up the standard of American manhood and womanhood is to do the greatest service to the country. The stability of this government depends upon the individual character of its citizenship. No more important work can be done, important to the cause of Christianity, as well as to our national life and greatness."

The reading of the letter evoked hearty applause, and the convention voted unanimously for a reply thanking the president, expressing a wish to join with him in paying tribute to the memory of the late secretary of state, John Hay, and asking the president to stop at Baltimore on his way home, that he might address them.

TRADE HAS BEEN RETARDED

Holiday and Weather Influences Have Combined to Retard Business in Some Sections.

New York, July 8.—Bradstreet's weekly review says: Holiday influences, irregular weather and crop reports and reasonable shut down for repairs and inventories have tended to limit the turn-over. Too much rain in the west has retarded trade in that section, and from the south similar reports come. In the central west and east and south-west, however, trade is of full summer volume, with a good retail distribution and fair returns for summer goods from jobbers. The sharp advance in raw cotton has had a rather stimulating effect on southern trade sentiment, though indicating smaller than expected yields, the feeling being that higher prices will offset reduced production. The advance of raw cotton has stimulated inquiry for cotton goods, which have been generally advanced 5 to 10 per cent, and buyers complain of slow deliveries.

HEAT WAS ALMOST TOO MUCH

Miss Alice Roosevelt Suffered a Mild Attack of Heat Prostration.

San Francisco, July 8.—Miss Alice Roosevelt was greatly oppressed by the intense heat in Berkeley, Friday, and after nearly fainting was forced to leave the open Greek theater at the University of California, where Secretary Taft was delivering a speech. Miss Roosevelt recovered quickly on returning to the city and, after resting at the hotel, felt sufficiently well to attend the reception given to Secretary Taft and his party by Mrs. Elmer Martin in the evening.

Mrs. Lucie B. Ting Dead.

Peoria, Ill., July 6.—Mrs. Lucie B. Ting, one of the best-known temperance workers in the United States, is dead in this city. Mrs. Ting was the candidate of the prohibition party for trustee of the University of Illinois in the last campaign.

Carrie Nation Has a "Hot Time."

Carmi, Ill., July 6.—Carrie Nation's speaking here was broken up by a miniature riot, but later she was allowed to proceed. She assailed many prominent people. There were firing of pistols and other species of disorder.

In Hot Pursuit of a Slayer.

Litchfield, Ill., July 6.—William Cothe, of Mount Olive, was shot and instantly killed by Walter Mumm, Jr., the tragedy being an outgrowth of a quarrel between their families. Mumm, who at once fled with his brother, George, has not yet been found. A posse is hot after the fugitive.

Lost the Wager.

Evansville, Ind., July 6.—Charles Hummel, aged 18, made a wager that he could dive across a large pond, and was drowned. His body was recovered.

HAY FUNERAL AT CLEVELAND

The Ceremonies, as Was the Wish of the Late Secretary and Mrs. Hay, Were Very Simple.

Cleveland, July 6.—Funeral services over the body of the late Secretary John Hay were held at 11 o'clock in the chapel of the family church. From thence the body was taken to Lakeview cemetery for interment.

President Roosevelt and the members of the cabinet, who arrived on a special train, attended, the cabinet members being honorary pallbearers. The ceremonies, as was the wish of the late secretary and of Mrs. Hay, were of the simplest character. They were conducted at the chapel by the family's pastor, Rev. Hiram C. Haydn, assisted by Rev. T. E. Hamlin, of Washington, a friend of the family.

The body of the late secretary was taken from the chamber of commerce at 10 o'clock to the chapel, escorted by the guard of honor of Troop A of the national guard, of which the late secretary was a former member. Great crowds lined the streets, but perfect order was maintained. Everything at the chapel was as nearly private as was possible to make it under the circumstances.

President Roosevelt and Vice-President Fairbanks attended the remains to the cemetery, with the members of the cabinet.

President Roosevelt left for Oyster Bay at three o'clock.

The meeting between him and Mrs. Hay was deeply affecting to those who witnessed it, when the president went to personally extend his sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

TO SUCCEED SECRETARY HAY

Hon. Elihu Root Appointed to and Accepts the Office of Secretary of State.

Oyster Bay, L. I., July 8.—Official announcement is made here that Elihu Root has been appointed secretary of state.

The following statement was issued: "Elihu Root has accepted the tender by the president of the secretaryship of state. He will take the oath of office in a couple of weeks, but it will necessarily be some little time before he closes his business affairs. He will not go to Washington permanently until some time in September."

In point of mentality, it is the opinion that the president has found a man who can fill the shoes of John Hay. Mr. Root made a good secretary of war, proving himself in that function a man of action and quick decision. He is one of the keenest lawyers in the east. As to politics, he has always been a republican. Like Roosevelt, however, he has not been in any sense a "machine" man.

SHOT TO DEATH BY MOB

Lon Beard, a Negro, Charged With Assault, Riddled With Bullets at Normandy, Ky.

Louisville, Ky., July 8.—A special to the Times from Shelbyville, Ky., says: Lon Beard, a negro who had been arrested on a charge of assaulting Mrs. Chester Crawford, of Normandy, was lynched at that place Friday afternoon. He was being taken from Taylorville to Shelbyville for safe-keeping, but when the train arrived at Normandy a mob of about 25 men entered the day coach and riddled Beard with bullets as he sat in his seat.

Prominent Baptist Is No More.

St. Louis, July 7.—Rev. Dr. S. H. Ford, one of the best-known figures in the Baptist church of America, for over 50 years editor of Ford's Christian Repository and Home Circle, died at his home in Jennings, Mo. Death resulted from old age.

Hacked to Pieces With Knives.

City of Mexico, July 7.—At Durango a drunken spectator attracted the attention of Matador Chico, who, while looking around, was gored by a bull. The crowd set upon the drunken man and hacked him to pieces with knives.

Two Boys Raced to Death.

Seymour, Ia., July 7.—The five-year-old son of Samuel Squillman and the four-year-old son of George Billard were burned to death in a fire caused by fireworks, which destroyed the Squillman home.

Receiver For English Hotel.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 7.—William A. Gannon has been appointed receiver for the English hotel by Judge Leathers. This only involves the furnishings for the hotel and all the arrangements used in conducting the hostelry.

JAPAN WOULD NOT CONSENT

China's Request to Be Represented at the Peace Conference.

Japan Believes She is Able to Take Care of China's Interests, for Which She Has Fought.

Washington, July 10.—China's request to be represented in the Washington conference on the ground that she is vitally interested in its proceedings, has been received by the president and informally transmitted to the belligerents. Whether the president has received the formal replies can not be learned, but it can be stated that while Russia is inclined to favor the suggestion, Japan would not consent to it.

Japan has already made public her assurance that Manchuria is to be restored to China. That is one of the principles for which she says she has been fighting. Japan regards herself as fully capable of executing this promise without the assistance of China, and in view of China's inability before the war to cope with Russia in Manchuria, the Japanese government is unable to see what possible service a Chinese representative would be in the Washington conference.

Moreover, the Japanese have all along taken the position that when peace negotiations were begun they would be conducted directly with Russia. It is altogether unlikely that the Washington government will press the claim of China, and the official view here falls in sympathy with the idea.

THE CROP REPORT LEAKAGE

It Is Brought Home to Associate Statistician Edwin S. Holmes and He Is Let Out.

Washington, July 10.—As the result of the investigation by secret service agents into the charges made by Cotton Planters' association, that information had been given to cotton brokers in New York by some person or persons in the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture, Secretary Wilson has made public an official report in which he states that Edwin S. Holmes, the associate statistician, has been guilty of "juggling" the official report, and dismissed from the service. The report says: "It has been found that Mr. Holmes communicated advance information to L. C. Van Riper, a New York broker, and M. Haas, of New York, who acted as a go-between in conveying information from Holmes to other New York brokers."

"Steps have been taken by Secretary Wilson to prevent any further leakage of the department figures, and an entire reorganization of the bureau of statistics and manner of preparing monthly crop reports has been outlined."

FRAUD ORDER ANNOUNCED

Became Effective Sunday and Is Directed Against the People's United States Bank of St. Louis.

Washington, July 10.—Postmaster-General Cortelyou has announced the issuance of a fraud order against the People's United States bank of St. Louis, Mo., its officers and agents and E. G. Lewis, a publisher, effective July 9. The action bars the company from the use of the mails, after an investigation by the postal authorities as to the details of the business of the institution. The postmaster general, in his announcement, says:

"It is understood that the funds of the bank, which have not been borrowed by Mr. Lewis and his enterprises, amounting to about two-thirds of the total amount remitted, are deposited in banks and will be available toward reimbursement of the stockholders, who number upwards of 65,000. It is the intention of the officers of the post office department to co-operate with the secretary of state of Missouri in every proper way from the Missouri in every proper way for the tor."

A WITHDRAWAL REQUESTED

Theodore H. Price, of New York, Asks Secretary Wilson to Withdraw Alleged Unjust Charges.

Washington, July 10.—Theodore H. Price, of New York, arrived in Washington, Sunday, and through his attorney requested Secretary Wilson to withdraw what Mr. Price characterized as the "unjust, offensive and unsubstantiated charges and implications" contained in the report made public in connection with the removal of Edwin S. Holmes, Jr., the assistant statistician of the department of agriculture.

"The secretary," Mr. Price said, "had his request under consideration."

Pioneer Lumberman Dead.

Chicago, July 10.—George E. Wood, a pioneer lumberman of Chicago, died of pneumonia, Sunday. He had engaged in the lumber business in Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan and the south at various times.

War on Gambling in Mexico.

Mexico City, July 10.—It is stated that no more gambling licenses will be issued after August 1, when all existing licenses expire. Gov. Tandas of the federal district announces that he is determined to exterminate gambling in this city.

Venice, July 10.—The engagement is announced of Paul Nash, the American consul here, and the Baroness In Mayneri of Piedmont. The baroness, who moves in the highest society, is at present residing in Venice.

Will Speak at Portland Fair.

Bloomington, Ill., July 10.—Hon. Jas. F. O'Donnell, publisher of the Bloomington Bulletin, has been chosen as a joint speaker with Gov. Deneen on Illinois day at the Portland exposition, August 17.

A Remarkable Case.

Valparaiso, Ind., July 10.—Mrs. A. E. Gustafson is dead from an operation in Chicago for the removal of a surgical instrument which had been left in an incision after an operation performed ten years ago.

ILLINOIS SHOT-FIRERS' LAW

Judge Gray, as Fifth Arbitrator, Decides That the Miners Stand Half the Expense.

Springfield, Ill., July 8.—Judge George Gray, of Delaware, who was selected as the fifth arbitrator by the arbitrators selected by the operators and the miners of the state of Illinois to decide whether the operators or the miners should bear the expense of the shot-firers, rendered necessary by the law which passed the last legislature, has decided that the miners shall reimburse the operators one-half for the expense incurred by the employment of the shot-firers.

Judge Gray in his decision says: "No good reason can be urged, in my opinion, why the expense of such inspection (that required by the law of shot-firers) should be imposed on the miners. It is an expense made by law incidental to the conduct of mining operations."

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN

List of Officers Elected by the National Educational Association at Asbury Park, N. J.

Asbury Park, N. J., July 7.—The National Educational association elected the following officers at Thursday's session:

President, Nathan C. Schaeffer, of Pennsylvania; vice-presidents, Wm. H. Maxwell, of New York; Miss N. Cropper, of Indiana; J. H. Hueneman, of Arkansas; E. D. S. Vaughn, of Oklahoma; John H. Riggs, of Iowa; Joseph O'Connor, of California; D. E. Johnson, of Ohio; H. O. Wheeler, of Vermont; J. Y. Joyner, of North Carolina; J. W. Spindler, of Kansas; J. Stanley Brown, of Illinois; treasurer, J. M. Wilkinson, of Kansas; secretary, Irwin Shepard, of Minnesota.

WHAT IT COSTS TO CELEBRATE

A "Safe and Sound" Celebration of Independence Day Is Still a Thing of the Future.

Chicago, July 7.—The total figures on the Fourth of July casualties received are larger than those received at the same time last year, so that the promise of a decreased loss due to a safer and saner Fourth will not be fulfilled. The casualties this year are as follows: Dead, 64; injured, 3,157; from the following causes: Fireworks, 1,253; cannon, 294; firearms, 446; gunpowder, 706; toy pistols, 373; runaways, 90. The total fire loss was \$251,217.

Last year at this time the deaths were 52 and the injured 3,049, divided as follows: Fireworks, 1,110; cannon, 340; firearms, 446; gunpowder, 677; toy pistols, 283; runaways, 93; fire loss, \$317,700.

IMPORTANT ORDER ISSUED

Military and Naval Officers Must Hereafter Stand on Their Records for Promotion.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., July 8.—An important order was issued, Friday night, by President Roosevelt announcing the policy hereafter to be followed by the administration in the making of appointments or promotions in the military branch of the government. The president orders that if any officer of the army or navy hereafter shall solicit influence, aside from the records of his services on file in the war or navy departments, in order to obtain promotion or assignment, he shall be debarred thereby from the advancement or detail which he is seeking.

NO ARMISTICE YET

Japan Will Not Consent to an Armistice Until Basis of Her Demands Is Accepted.

St. Petersburg, July 6.—It is ascertained from official sources that an armistice can not be arranged. Japan has made it known that she will not consent to an armistice until the Russian peace commission has formally accepted the basis of her proposals, which will not be communicated till the peace conference has assembled.

A MONTANA PIONEER GONE

With the Flak Sanders, One of Montana's First United States Senators, Has Passed Away.

Honolulu, Mont., July 8.—WRB Flak Sanders, one of Montana's most illustrious citizens, civil war veteran, pioneer, lawyer, leader of vigilantes and former United States senator, died here Friday, aged 72 years.

He was elected one of Montana's first United States senators and has been prominently identified with every public movement in the state for 40 years.

The Loeb's to Take a Vacation.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., July 10.—Secretary and Mrs. Loeb expect to leave Oyster Bay in about ten days on an extended trip to the Yellowstone national park. During Mr. Loeb's absence the executive work will be directed by Assistant Secretary Barnes.

President's Eyes Improving.

Boston, July 8.—President Roosevelt's eyes are improving steadily in spite of all they have to go through," declared Dr. John Morgan. "I have attended all the Roosevelts for their eye troubles, and find that the president's are the strongest and are improving the most rapidly."

To Prosecute Western Railroads.

Chicago, July 8.—Assistant United States Attorney-General Fagin and Purdy have begun their preparations for prosecution of western railroads on charges of rebating.

Panama, N. Y., Scorched.

Jamestown, N. Y., July 8.—Fire broke out in Panama, a village 15 miles west of here, and destroyed the business section of the place. The loss is roughly estimated at \$100,000, with not more than 25 per cent insurance.

Boy Mangled by Train.

Norris City, Ill., July 8.—Frederick Wilson, aged 11, was probably fatally injured while trying to board a Big Four train. His left leg was severed just below the knee, and he sustained other injuries.

A STARTLING ACCUSATION

Sheriff Marshall Accused of Assisting the Ironton, Mo., Mob.

STORY TOLD BY SPAUGH BOYS

Sheriff Marshall, They Say, Unlocked the Doors and Then Stood Guard While the Mob Shot Them.

St. Louis, July 11.—William and Arthur Spauld, the men charged with the murder of Sheriff Joseph W. Polk of Iron county, and who were brought to St. Louis early Sunday morning for safe keeping, made public, Monday, the statement to be sent to Gov. Folk in which they allege that Sheriff Marshall unlocked the doors of the jail for the mob that shot them Saturday morning. They also give the names of several citizens whom they claim were in the assaulting party.

The statement follows: "On Thursday preceding the attack, Sheriff John I. Marshall came into the jail and told us there were to come in some more government prisoners and that the men in the halls would be moved into the cells. I did not think much about it at the time, although one of the inmates said to me, 'There must be something going to happen.'"

"Sheriff Marshall ordered all the lights put out in the jail at 9 p. m. each day beginning Thursday, July 6, saying that Mrs. Polk was sick upstairs."

"About 1:30 p. m. on Saturday, I was up in my cell, having been awake all night as I feared an attack would be made. I heard a crowd of people talking to John Marshall near the outer door of the jail."

"I heard them ask Marshall where the keys were and he replied that they were hanging where they always did and told them to go and get them. Dr. Barnhouse told the sheriff to get them himself, as he understood it better."

Marshall said, 'All right, be quiet now.' The sheriff then came and unlocked the outside doors. I could not see him unlocking the door, but could hear him talking and hear the keys rattling."

"A crowd then rushed in the door and Sheriff Marshall came and unlocked our cell door. I knew him, for he was unmasked and I could plainly see him by the light of the lantern which some one in the mob carried."

"Marshall then said to some one: 'You stand guard; I will go back and lock the outside door and stand guard outside.' The mob then started to rush in at the cell door and one man got partially in when I struck him, falling him to the floor. I hit him with a bed slab. When a second man attempted to enter I also knocked him down."

"John Marshall then called in, saying: 'If you want to get them out of there you will have to rush in at once.' Then some one said: 'Well, we will have to go to shooting.' They then opened fire on us. There were from thirty to forty shots fired in the night. They would place their pistols around the door and through the bars, shoot at us. I got hold of one pistol in the night, and afterward turned it over to Sheriff Marshall. The lantern was blown out after the first few shots."

"Marshall then cried out that there was some one coming and they had better hurry and get us out of there. The whole mob then made a rush for the door and went out."

"I recognized the men in the mob, partly by their voices and partly by seeing them with my eyes. I also recognized two pistols as belonging to Marshall and Dr. Barnhouse. They were the same guns used on us when we were first arrested down at the cabin, and that is how I came to recognize them. My brother Arthur and I both stood on the left hand side of the door close to the wall."

Says It's All a Lie.

Ironton, Mo., July 11.—Sheriff Marshall denounces the Spauld boys' story as a tissue of lies, but declines to discuss the matter further.

The people of Ironton are not inclined to credit the statement made by the Spaulds. Many declare that it is altogether impossible that several of the men mentioned in the statement should have been implicated in the attack.

ANOTHER TETANUS VICTIM

Ross Truesdale, Son of a Well-Known Railway Man, a Fourth of July Victim at St. Joseph.

St. Joseph, Mo., July 11.—Ross Truesdale, son of a well-known railway man of St. Joseph, died from lockjaw at a local hospital from the effects of a wound in the hand made on July 4 while firing a toy pistol. This makes three dead and 13 dangerously injured in this vicinity as a result of the celebration here.

Lick Observatory in Danger.

San Jose, Cal., July 11.—Forest fires are threatening Lick observatory, in which is located the famous Lick telescope. The corps of professors there have telephoned here asking that the governor call out the militia of San Jose to fight the flames.

Homeward Bound.

Havana, July 11.—Former Congressman George Fred Williams, of Boston, who has been ill at the Animas hospital, was discharged Monday, and took passage on the Ward line steamer Monterey for New York.

Labrador Fishery a Failure.

St. John's, N. F., July 11.—The Labrador fishery is reported to be a complete failure owing to immense ice floes blocking the coast feet of over 200 schooners which are unable to go north of Hamilton inlet.

Thomas W. Lawson Better.

Kansas City, Mo., July 11.—Thomas W. Lawson, of Boston, who has been under treatment here for his throat, is so much improved that he has left for Fairbury, Neb., where he is to speak to-day.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

To Audit County Books.

The Clinton county court has contracted with a firm of expert accountants to audit the books of the county officials and all others doing business with the county for the past five years. The officials, with one exception, welcome an investigation, the exception having employed attorneys. It is claimed, to ask an injunction to prevent such action by the court on the ground that it has no authority to expend county money for this purpose. The court has, however, guaranteed the accountants their money, so that the investigation will not be prevented.

Celebrate Fifty-Sixth Anniversary

Judge Thomas W. Hawkins, state librarian, and his wife celebrated the fifty-sixth anniversary of their marriage at their home at Palmyra with a family reunion. Judge Hawkins has filled the offices of mayor of Hannibal, probate judge, judge of county court, circuit clerk for 16 years, representative in the state legislature for three terms, and for four years has served as state librarian.

Dr. Ford, Confederate Veteran, Dead

Dr. F. H. Ford died at his home in Woodlawn, St. Louis county, after an illness of a few days. He was 87 years old. Dr. Ford recently returned from Louisville, where he attended the confederate's reunion. He had the distinction of being the oldest member present at the reunion. For many years Dr. Ford was editor and publisher of Ford's Christian Repository.

Beer Stamp Sales.

The state's receipts from the sale of beer stamps for the first six months of 1905, aggregated \$187,262.88, distributed through the months, as follows: January, \$21,637.37; February, \$19,578.77; March, \$30,117.45; April, \$28,832.21; May, \$36,213.59; June, \$40,322.47.

Woman Shot While in Bed.

Mrs. M. Kenney, proprietor of the Hotel Monte Cristo, was shot and probably mortally wounded while in bed at Excelsior Springs. Her husband, from whom she has been separated for some time, is in jail charged with the shooting.

A Woman's Horrible Death.

A lamp accidentally overturned set fire to the clothing of Mrs. Sweeney Bates, wife of a young farmer near Palmyra, and before the flames could be extinguished she was burned to death. She was only 20, and had been married four months.